UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION

PATRICIA LOWRY, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,)
Plaintiff,)
v. RTI SURGICAL HOLDINGS, INC., CAMILLE I. FARHAT, BRIAN K. HUTCHISON, JONATHON M. SINGER, ROBERT P. JORDHEIM, and JOHANNES W. LOUW,	No.: 20-cv-01939 Honorable Matthew F. Kennelly
Defendants.	ý)

ALL DEFENDANTS' MOTION FOR PAGE ENLARGEMENT

All Defendants jointly move the Court for an Order granting RTI Surgical Holdings, Inc. ("RTI"), Camille Farhat and Jonathon Singer (collectively the "RTI Defendants") leave to file a joint memorandum of law in support of their motion to dismiss ("Brief") not to exceed 30 pages, and in support state:

- 1. The 94-page Consolidated Amended Class Action Complaint (Dkt. 53) ("AC") alleges complex federal securities fraud claims spanning a four-year purported class period ("Class Period") against RTI and five of its current or former executives, each of whom served in a leadership role at RTI for only part of the Class Period and whom seeks dismissal of this action.
- 2. The three RTI Defendants have joint legal representation, while Defendants Brian Hutchison, Robert Jordheim and Johannes Louw each have their own counsel.
- 3. Pursuant to the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act, to state a claim for securities fraud Plaintiff has a high pleading burden that requires, among other things, specific facts about each statement challenged in the AC and how each Defendant was supposedly involved

in the fraud. To meet that burden, the AC must, among other things, plead with particularity: which Defendant made each statement alleged to be false or misleading; specifics about the content of the challenged statements as well as when and where they were made; the reasons why each statement was misleading; and for each challenged statement, particular facts showing the defendant to whom it is attributable, acted with a strong inference of scienter. *See Pugh v. Tribune Co.*, 521 F.3d 686, 693 (7th Cir. 2008). The Plaintiff challenges approximately 90 statements over a four-year period, and the AC does not provide the necessary particular facts as to each Defendant and challenged statement.

- 4. Because different statements are alleged as to different Defendants at different times, each has unique arguments demonstrating why dismissal is warranted as a matter of law for him or it. In support of their respective motions to dismiss, Defendants Johannes W. Louw, Robert Jordheim and Brian Hutchison anticipate filing Briefs of 15 pages each to raise such individual-specific defenses.
- 5. The RTI Defendants anticipate filing a joint Brief in support of their motion to dismiss. In their Brief, the RTI Defendants intend to address not only individual-specific defenses for RTI and Messrs. Farhat and Singer, but also other information and defenses that are applicable to all six Defendants. The group-related topics that the RTI Defendants intend to include in their Brief include: the underlying relevant facts, including context for the restatement that is a central part of the AC, as well as dispositive arguments showing the AC's failure to adequately plead scienter, the confidential witnesses' lack of reliability, Plaintiff's failure to sufficiently allege a "revenue smoothing" practice, and that many challenged statements are nonactionable opinions. Defendants Louw, Jordheim and Hutchison will adopt RTI's argument in their respective Briefs

and then apply those legal principles to the differing time periods, allegations, challenged statements, and factual circumstances unique to each Individual Defendant.

- 6. Pursuant to Local Rule 7.1, Briefs are limited to 15 pages absent leave of Court.
- 7. The Defendants have endeavored to avoid duplication and to consolidate arguments where possible and will continue to refine their briefs to be as concise as possible. Nevertheless, to adequately address the arguments unique to them, as well as those applicable to all six Defendants, the RTI Defendants seek leave to file a 30-page Brief. Those 30 pages, combined with the 15 pages each for the other three Defendants, would amount to a total of 75 pages of briefing for all six Defendants.
- 8. As noted in RTI Defendants' earlier-filed Motion for Leave to File Excess Pages (Dkt. 55), Plaintiff objects to the relief requested in this Motion.

WHEREFORE, Defendants respectfully request that the Court enter an Order granting the RTI Defendants leave to file a Brief in support of their motion to dismiss not to exceed 30 pages.

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I hereby certify that on October 12, 2020, I electronically filed the foregoing document using the ECF System for the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois. Notice of this filing will be sent by operation of the Court's electronic filing system to all counsel of record in this matter registered on the ECF system.

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